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## Shooting suspect facing life in prison

Forrest Julian Neal, IV is facing up to life in prison following a shooting that took place March 20 outside a Ford Road gas station in Canton Township.

According to police reports, officers responded to a 911 call at about 2:45 last Tuesday to the Valero gas station on Ford Road and Haggerty. Officers found a man in his 20s who had been shot one time by an acquaintance, reports said.

Reportedly, the two were employed at the same automotive manufacturer and the shooting was the result of an argument. The injured man was transported to an area hospital by fire/freight/medics from the Canton Public Safety Department for medical treat-

ment of his injury. A family member said he had been shot in the face but that report was unverified by police. The injury was described by police as "very, very serious."

Neal was identified at the scene at taken into police custody along with a semiautomatic pistol, suspected to have been the weapon used in the shooting, without incident, police said.

"There is no further threat to the community," a police spokesperson said, and no further inquiries were reported.

Neal, 23, was arraigned in 35th District Court last Friday, March 23, before Judge James Plakas on a five-count warrant. He faces charges including assault with intent to murder,

which carries a life or any number of years sentence; assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, a 10-year felony; assault with a dangerous weapon, a four-year felony and two counts of felony firearm, 2-year felonies.

Plakas set Neal's bond at \$1 million, cash, no 10 percent and no contact with the victim. A probable cause court hearing is set for April 6 and a preliminary court hearing on the charges is set for April 13, both at the 35th District Court.

Police have not released the name of the shooting victim but said that he and Neal were "acquainted" and that the shooting was the result of an argument.



Forrest Julian Neal, IV

## Going FIRST

### Area students participate in robotics display

Julie Brown  
Special Writer

Kiren Moore, 18, and Hadlee Chubb, 17, both Plymouth Christian Academy seniors, were eager to get started at the recent FIRST Power Up district event last weekend at Belleville High School. "I really loved it," said Chubb of her robotics start in middle school. "It is a lot of fun."

Moore's parents encouraged him in part due to extensive scholarships offered.

"Freedom year, my parents forced me to do it," he said while standing by the team robot at the March 22-23 event. "But then I really enjoyed it. I'm going to be an engineer."

Hell likely pursue a career in robotics or mechanical engineering, while Chubb is focused on computer engineering. It's his fourth year in robotics, her third for high school.

Like the other 40-some teams competing at the district level, Plymouth Christian students began work on their robot in early January building it from scratch. "Basically, we're a student-led team," said Moore, who does electrical work on the robot while Chubb does programming for their team called The Atomz Family.

"We're hoping to win this one and then go onto states," Moore said.

Belleville High School was a beehive of activity with teams wheeling robots in to compete and trouble-shooting last-



Students from Plymouth Christian Academy, from left, Hadlee Chubb, Zach Racho, BJ Blume, Kiren Moore and Keith Brown are proud of their robot. They're The Atomz Family team. (Photos by Julie Brown)



Belleville High School Belle-Voxel Bots include, from left, Brandon Johns, Corbin Fields and Robby Pause.

minute problems. The Wayne Memorial High School Zebra team included Hank Garrett, 16, a sophomore in his first year of robotics.

"Building experience, partnership, friends," said Garrett of what he's gained. He's hoping to attend Michigan State University in engineering.

Zebra team mentor is Karl Heinrich, a 2005 graduate of the school who's mentored for 10 years and works for Valvoline Instant Oil Change. "To see the smiles on the kids' faces," said Heinrich. "It got

me hooked in eighth grade. I basically never left."

Students get "real hands-on training and life skills they can use outside this program," Heinrich said of the Wayne Memorial team of about 13 students.

The Belleville High School Belle-Voxel Bots were glad to be participating and hosting. Team members include Brandon Johns, 15, a sophomore, Trinity Campbell, 16, a junior, Corbin Fields, 16, a junior and Robby Pause, 16, a sophomore.



Hank Garrett is part of The Wayne Memorial High School robotics team, the Wayne Zebras.

"Hopefully," Pause said of the team chances for advancing in the competition.

"We built it, we're proud of it and we're confident in its ability to do well," Fields said.

"We had to design the robot and then work through all the problems that came up." He chose ornamental beadgear that day "for the pure amusement of it," Pause said.

Student teams advanced to playoff rounds in the "pits" to garner awards at the event which was sponsored by the DTE Energy Foundation.

## Fire fighters battle 2 blazes over weekend

Don Howard  
Staff Writer

Two Plymouth Township house fires in just over 24 hours kept area firefighters busy this week.

A total of 18 firefighters from three departments responded to a

garage fire on Sunday afternoon in Plymouth Township.

Seven firefighters on duty at the three Plymouth Township fire stations responded to the location on General Drive with the first units arriving in just over 4 minutes to find flames shooting out the garage door. Mutual aid was

summoned from Northville-Plymouth City and Northville Township fire departments. One resident suffered burns to his hands and was treated at a local hospital. Euron Valley Ambulance, also on the scene, said the resident declined transport to a hospital for treatment of

the injury.

Plymouth Township Fire Captain Dave Fox estimated the damage to the home at approximately \$100,000. Firefighters had the fire under control in 45 minutes.

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# INKSTER - PLYMOUTH

## Counselors weigh impact of social media on teens

Julie Brown  
Special Writer

Scott Leveley, CEO of Growth Works, agrees that the long-term impact of social media can't be predicted.

"I think we're already seeing some impact, particularly for kids," said Leveley, who heads the family services and chemical dependency organization that dates to the early 1970s. "I think there's a level of maturity that's needed to handle that kind of pressure responsibly."

Social media threats have recently shut down the Wayne-Westland Community Schools as well as early dismissals in the Northville district. A court on walks in two lawsuits prompted a "soft lockdown" at the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' high school complex.

In the Plymouth-Canton case, a 17-year-old youth faces two counts of making a false report or threat of terrorism and two counts of making a bomb threat.

Leveley and his colleagues find teens often are impulsive which leads "into expecting instant gratification." Young people are often impatient, he said, and don't

understand nuance.

"Kids don't always understand the impact of leaving that trail on social media," said Leveley, adding as an adult he, too, finds the Internet affects his concentration. Students on social media often post illegal behavior, and the sites are "sort of a dark place. It makes it difficult for parents, adults to know what's going on."

If young people seek self-affirmation via social media, Leveley said, "it can become pretty devastating when suddenly it's negative."

Growth Works started in Plymouth, expanded into Canton with its growth, and now serves the region. The agency works with school districts by having groups that help troubled youth focus on their behavior, although not specifically for social media use, the CEO said.

"I think it's addressed indirectly with the kids. On the other hand, there are good things out there," said Leveley, citing psychological health and substance abuse recovery tools online.

At 24, Rachel von Pagels, case manager for Westland Youth Assistance, sees children being bullied on social media as young

as age 8 or 9.

"It seems like it's a very difficult topic for parents and staff at schools to address," said von Pagels, also a graduate student in a master of social work program at Eastern Michigan University. "I think focusing on the here and now would definitely be a better tactic."

She agreed adults need to focus on youth suicide prevention related to online bullying, rather than just cautionary tales on college acceptance and careers.

"Most of the time, kids find other ways to use it," said von Pagels, who doesn't favor parents totally banning social media use.

She saw some impact in high school, not really in middle school, and noted the growth of mediums is problematic.

That's where parents are having a challenge," said von Pagels, who sees social media as hurting people's empathy abilities.

She favors facilitating open

communication, "instead of being more close-minded or standoffish." Boundaries like giving a parent a phone each night by 9 p.m. are helpful, as are device-free dinners. "I think we have to lead by example as well, which is really important," she noted of adult media use.

Brain research is revealing development continues on up to about age 25, which Leveley sees. "It's impulse and judgment, just like it is with other issues. They think they're immune from that (consequences). As we get older, we understand there are things we need to be discreet about," he said.

Leveley voices broader concerns about the Internet leading to "lack of judgment. Anonymity allows people to kind of vent things they wouldn't otherwise say to someone. But that's more about adults than kids."

The recent school shooting in Parkland, Florida, and others

worry parents and other adults.

ONZAY is a program designed to encourage Michigan students to share and respond to anything that threatens their safety or the safety of others.

With support from Attorney General Bill Schuette, the Michigan State Police, local law enforcement, schools, the health community, and others, there are processes to help students submit confidential tips regarding criminal activities or harmful behavior.

When von Pagels was in high school, her parents had her passwords but were also respectful of her focusing on her behavior. Of children and teens, she noted, "They're using the technology way earlier, which is scary. Now more than ever, it's important to be transparent. A comfortable space for them to communicate with their parents is huge."

Following Plymouth-Canton's recent "soft lockdown," Canton Township Trustee Anne Marie Graham-Hodak, at a board meeting, praised Public Safety staff.

"Thanks for keeping our kids safe," said Graham-Hodak, a district parent. "Scary situations right now."

## Legislator attends conference

State Rep. Jewell Jones (D-Inkster) attended the 2018 Justice Reform and Community Reinvestment Policy Academy in New Orleans recently. Sponsored by the People For the American Way Foundation Young Elected Officials Network, the academy was an intensive weekend conference. Jones, along with fellow progressive elected officials from across the nation, discussed the failures of the justice system and strategies to address the inequities, trauma and public health crises that contribute to both crime and mass incarceration.

"Reforming the criminal justice system to make it more fair to minority youth has been one of my top priorities in the Legislature, which is why I've introduced legislation to expunge the records of people who were arrested because of mistaken identity or identity theft and to take a closer look at which juveniles get charged as adults," Jones said. "I look forward to learning more about criminal justice reform efforts taking place around the country and how they might be applied here in Michigan," he added prior to his attendance at the conference.

## Fires

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In another incident, one firefighter suffered non-life threatening neck and back injuries in a Monday afternoon fire believed to have started from a wood burning stove. The home located on Rocker Street required mutual aid from three area fire departments. Canton Township, Northville-Plymouth and Northville Township departments

responded providing a total complement of 16 firefighters.

Plymouth Township Fire Chief Dan Phillips said his first units arrived within 7 minutes after the first call was received at 5:01 p.m. Personnel from township station one and station two were first to arrive with four firefighters. Station three personnel were attending another emergency call.

Phillips said while the fire was under control in 30 minutes the firefighters were on scene for 2 hours.

Both fires remain under investigation.

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# BELLEVILLE - ROMULUS

## High school athletic field repairs OK'd by board

The athletic fields at Romulus High School will see some much-needed repairs next month.

Members of the Romulus Community Schools Board of Education approved a \$12,000 contract with Turf Synthetic Sports Field Specialists to complete the repairs during a four-day period in April. The expense was allocated from the Wayne County Enhancement Millage that was approved by voters in 2016.

Superintendent of Schools Marjorie McAnally said she is excited that students will be able to participate in spring sports with no disruption. She added that athletics are vital in the overall development of student athletes and that sports play a major role in the school community.

The high school field is heavily

utilized and will allow Romulus High School and Romulus Middle School sports to move forward in the short term and also allow the three teams from the Romulus Flyers youth football program to continue to use the venue.

The facility is also used for various community events and the track at the field is also open to the public for recreational use.

School officials and board members were forced to close the athletic facility following football season last year following a failed safety inspection. Voters rejected a 10-year, 3 mill sinking fund millage last November which would have provided funding to address the long-term solutions necessary at the facility. That sinking fund millage would have generated an estimated \$2.3 million annually

at a cost of about \$140 annually

for each property owner. In addition to funding repairs bringing the athletic complex to industry standards, renovations across the district would have been addressed with the sinking fund dollars, school officials hope on the shift to \$500 sponsors.

"There is a dire need to improve our parking lots, roofing, plumbing, doors, windows, fire suppression systems, and technology across the district. Although the ballot proposal fell short by 143 votes, I believe that our community understands the importance of a strong school district and that they will invest in Romulus Community Schools in an August election. Our main goal is to move Romulus Community Schools forward in order to serve our families for generations to come," said Mark Edwards, coordinator of school relations.

Turfix proposed the best

value to temporarily extend the life of the field which was constructed in 1998. Edwards said the repairs will ensure that it is safe and usable for up to two years. The company will conduct GMAX testing, which is fundamentally designed to warrant that a field is performing the way it should with respect to impact or shock absorption, throughout the field. A large portion of the repairs will include fixing a sunken area near the north end zone. The process will include cutting back the turf, filling it with a stone mix, leveling it out, and rolling it back before installing other repairs. Other repairs will include cleaning debris from the field, rejuvenating matted fibers, laying a rubber infill, and sealing any loose or additional tears in the turf, Edwards said.

## Strawberry Festival to include first-ever 5-K run

The Belleville Strawberry Festival will have something extra this year with the first-ever Lakeside Strawberry Run sponsored by the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce.

The 5K run will begin at 7 p.m. June 16 at the gazebo in Horizon Park lake side, go through Belleville and end at Horizon Park.

The chamber is currently

seeking sponsors for the event and is offering the largest logo on the commemorative shirt to a \$1,000 sponsor, a medium size logo on the shirt to \$500 sponsors and a small shirt logo for \$250

sponsors. All participating runners are guaranteed a shirt advertising their participation and the logo of the sponsors. Other sponsorship opportunities

include the finish-line sponsor, water station sponsor, treat stop sponsor and bag sponsor.

For more information or to become a sponsor, contact the chamber office at (734) 697-7151.

## Headshots for Humanity set

Smile and help change a life forever.

During Celebration of Smiles month, professional photographer Susan Richardson and Therese Antonelli are hosting Headshots for Humanity from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. April 21 at Moving the Mitten Real Estate Group. The headshots are ideal for use in professional publications, Facebook pages, LinkedIn profiles and announcements.

During the event, the professional headshot photos will be offered for a \$24 donation to Operation Smile, a group that provides free surgeries to repair cleft lip, cleft palate and other facial deformities for children around the world, thanks to thousands of volunteer doctors, nurses, dentists and specialized health care professionals. This nationwide fundraiser is being conducted by members of the Professional Photographers of America.

Every three minutes a child is born somewhere in the world with a facial deformity. One in 10 will not survive to see their first birthday. Those who do often

live in isolation and pain. More than 100,000 children are born with a facial deformity each year in the 29 Operation Smile partner countries. Tens of thousands remain untreated. It takes as little as \$240 to repair one smile and change a child's life forever.

All registered participants will receive a special gift upon arrival and be entered into a raffle for a prize basket. Two professional makeup artists will be on hand to help with last minute touch-ups before the photo shoot. Payments will be processed on check-in including Visa, Mastercard, Discover and American Express along with personal or business checks. No cash will be accepted and identification will be requested.

There will be refreshments and a raffle. Moving the Mitten Real Estate Group is located at 337 Main St. in downtown Belleville.

To register for a headshot, or for more information, visit [timelessimagesbySusan.com](http://timelessimagesbySusan.com) on Facebook.

### CITY OF ROMULUS INVITATION TO BID

#### ITB 17/18-38 TWO (2) YEAR PRICING FOR MULCH

The City of Romulus, Michigan is seeking bids from qualified companies for the above item/items and/or services.

- (1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a bid must use the forms provided by the City. Official bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct (<http://www.mtn.net>). Bids may be rejected unless made on the forms included with the bidding documents. Copies of documents obtained from any other source are not considered official copies.
- (2) Clarifications, modifications, or amendments may be made to this solicitation at the discretion of the City. Any and all addenda issued by the City will be posted on the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct. All interested parties are instructed to view the MITN website regularly for any issued addenda. It is the responsibility of the bidder to obtain all issued addenda and acknowledge receipt of said addenda by including a printed copy of each addendum as part of the required documents for this solicitation and to list the addendum and sign and date the "Acknowledgment of Receipt Addenda Form" supplied in the bid documents.
- (3) A total of three copies (one marked "Original" and two marked "Copy") of the bid must be submitted together in one sealed package/envelope and returned to the City Clerk's Office no later than 2:30 P.M., Wednesday, 4/11/2018. Bids should be addressed using the bid package label provided in the ITB documents.
- (4) At approximately 2:45 p.m., local time all timely received bids will be publicly opened and read.
- (5) The successful bidder will be required to submit proof of all bonds and insurance required by the ITB documents and copies of all required endorsements.
- (6) The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all bids and to waive any minor informality or irregularity in bids received and to award the bid in whole or in part. A contract will ultimately be awarded to the lowest most responsive and responsible company, as determined in the sole discretion of the City of Romulus or otherwise in a manner deemed by the City to be in its own best interest.
- (7) For additional information contact Lynn A. Conway, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director, or Gary Harris, Purchasing Department Buyer by calling (734) 955-4568 or by emailing [Purchasing@cityofromulus.com](mailto:Purchasing@cityofromulus.com).

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### NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

#### CHARACTER FUNDING OF CAYTON

##### Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

Request for Applications and Public Notice of Availability of Funds

The Charter Township of Canton announces the availability of approximately \$300,000 in CDBG funds for housing and economic development activities beginning July 1, 2018. CDBG program income or repaid CDBG funds may also be available under the announcement. CDBG will accept applications at the Office of the Clerk up to 1:00 p.m. Thursday, April 26, 2018 for the following:

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION

Applications may be picked up at the Finance & Budget Department, on our website at [www.cantonmi.org](http://www.cantonmi.org), or you may contact Mike Stogard at: (734) 784-5225. All applications must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the application name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

MICHAEL SEGREST, CLERK

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### ITB 17/18-37 FOUR YEAR CONTRACT FOR WATER BILLING, ASSESSMENT NOTICES & TAX STATEMENTS - PREPARATION, PRINTING & MAILING SERVICES

The City of Romulus, Michigan is seeking bids from qualified companies for a four year contractual services agreement for the printing and mailing of the City of Romulus 2019, 2020, and 2021 Property Assessment Notices, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021 Summer and Winter Tax Statements and the monthly residential and commercial water billing statements for the term of the contract.

- (1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a bid must use the forms provided by the City. Official bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct (<http://www.mtn.net>). Bids may be rejected unless made on the forms included with the bidding documents. Copies of documents obtained from any other source are not considered official copies.
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### CITY OF ROMULUS PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

#### Midline Industries 33800 Smith

Notice is hereby given that the City of Romulus will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2018 for Midline Industries for the purpose of considering the following:

1. RZ-2018-002, a proposed amendment to the City of Romulus Zoning Map to conditionally rezone 60.18 acres of property from the current designation of RC, Regional Center District to M-1, Light Industrial District; and
2. SLU-2018-001, a proposed special land use for a warehouse building that exceeds 80,000 sq. ft.

The Planning Commission will set the public hearing to consider the conditional rezoning and special land use requests to allow for the development of an 813,450 sq. ft. warehouse office building for Midline Industries, which is a supplier of medical products.

The property is located at 33800 Smith (Parcel ID# 80-038-99-0002-702)



The public hearing will be held at the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48147-1485. All interested parties are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted by Thursday, May 4, 2017 and should be addressed to Carol Maize, City Planner, Economic Development Department, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174-1485.

Ellen Craig-Brugg, City Clerk  
City of Romulus, Michigan

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# CANTON - NORTHVILLE

## Township programs win state mParks honors

Canton Leisure Services received special statewide recognition at the 2018 mParks Annual Conference and Trade Show which took place last month.

mParks, a statewide professional association for the parks and recreation industry in Michigan, honored Canton Leisure Services with the Innovative Programming Award for the township Teen Leadership Experience program, and a Marketing Award for Best Graphic Design for the 2016 Canton Leisure Services Annual Report.

These annual mParks awards recognize parks and recreation professionals, agencies, advocates and legislators who provide enriching and engaging

experiences that support the Michigan recreation industry, which has long been an important economic factor by inspiring tourism, supporting jobs and improving health and wellness for residents and visitors.

"This statewide recognition is a great honor and we are incredibly pleased to receive these awards," said Canton Leisure Services Director Greg Hohenberger. "Canton residents are fortunate to have access to these award-winning programs in our community, as well as year-round recreation opportunities, health and wellness classes and activities, fine arts and cultural programs, family-friendly community events and much more."

Canton Leisure Services Teen

**"This statewide recognition is a great honor and we are incredibly pleased to receive these awards."**

Leadership Experience Camp was implemented through the B.L.O.C.K. Youth and Teen Center in 2017 to expose teens to potential careers in the parks and recreation industry. A group of nine teens were selected during the pilot program and were educated about the industry through interactive tours, engaging staff speakers and certification classes and exams. The Experience gave teens an opportunity to interact with and foster

relationships with community leaders and powerhouses in the field, offering unique insight to the industry. The program also inspired teens to get involved in their communities, make positive change, and recognize the benefits of pursuing a career in the field of parks and recreation.

All nine Teen Experience participants completed the curriculum with a new understanding of the benefits of community service, as well as an active lifestyle

and the many benefits of parks.

Canton Leisure Services has been accredited since 2004 by the Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA), which recognizes park and recreation agencies for excellence in operation and service. Currently, there are 165 CAPRA accredited agencies in the United States. Canton Leisure Services was also recognized as the 2008 winner of the National Recreation and Parks Association Gold Medal Award for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management.

For more information about Canton Leisure Services classes, programs and events, visit [www.cantonmi.org](http://www.cantonmi.org) or call (734) 394-5400.

## Trial date in violent home invasion is delayed

A Detroit man facing multiple charges in a violent home invasion in Northville Township will remain in Wayne County Jail until his next trial date, April 30.

The date is one year after the crime, in which a victim was stripped naked and locked in a closet while her boyfriend was forced to remain lying on the floor,

took place.

According to prosecutors' claims, Deamo Lately, 32, armed with a rifle and another man, armed with a pistol, broke into the home near Five Mile Road and Bradner while the occupants were not there. The couple who lived in the home returned and encountered the two suspects, according

to police reports. During the robbery, it is alleged that Lately fired one shot from the rifle, but neither of the victims was physically harmed, according to police.

The two gunmen took cash, shoes, purses, a Rolex watch and two vehicles from the home during the April 30, 2017 incident.

Lately now faces 18 charges in

the crime including two counts each of armed robbery and car-jacking and one count of unlawful imprisonment, plus charges of home invasion, assault with a dangerous weapon, discharging a firearm in or at a building and being a felon in possession of a gun. He faces nine counts of using a gun to commit a felony.

His trial was postponed from Feb. 12 at the request of the court and he will remain in jail where he was remanded following his arraignment on the charges, in lieu of a \$1 million bond set by the court.

Lately does have a criminal record, according to police, including larceny and unarmed robbery.

## Second City comedy troupe to appear in Canton

The legendary sketch and improvisational comedy touring company, The Second City, will return to The Village Theater at Cherry Hill beginning at 7:30 p.m. March 31 to perform Look Both Ways Before Talking.

Edgy, thought-provoking and always spectacularly funny, The Second City is celebrating nearly six decades of producing cutting-

edge satirical reviews and launching the careers of generation after generation of comedy's best and brightest including Stephen Colbert (Colbert Report, The Late Show), Steve Carrell (The Office, Battle of the Sexes), Tim Meadows (Mean Girls, The Goldenboys) and countless other comedy legends.

"Look Both Ways Before Talking" is an improvised revue

show, which is a mix of semi-improvised and scripted scenes with new material developed during unscripted improv sessions after the second act, where scenes are created based on audience suggestions.

"The Second City has been enormously successful in the genre of comedy because of improv's ability to immediately

bring relevant topics of the everyday person directly to the audience," said Canton Performing Arts Coordinator Joe Kvorlák. "Improv is always fresh, funny and timely. The best part is you never know what to expect so creates a high-level of engagement from the audience that keeps everyone, actors, and audience, on their toes."

Tickets are \$35 for adults and \$32 for seniors and available at [www.cantonillegatetheater.org](http://www.cantonillegatetheater.org) or by calling (734) 394-5300. Tickets can also be purchased at The Village Theater Box Office one hour prior to show time.

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is located at 5900 Cherry Hill Road, Canton.

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#### Cruise raffle under way

Two lucky people will cruise the British Isles for 12 days for the grand total of only \$20. The Michigan Philharmonic will sell 400 raffle tickets at \$50 each for the cruise, which includes round trip airfare for two. The lucky winner will cruise from Aug. 17 through 29 aboard the Princess Cruise Lines.

The cruise will depart from Southampton, England and include ports of call at Guernsey and the Channel Islands in England, Cork and Dublin in Ireland, Belfast in Northern Ireland, Glasgow, Inverness, Loch Ness and Edinburgh in Scotland and Paris and Normandy in France. Passengers will also cruise the North Sea for two days.

The drawing for the winner of the cruise is planned for April 14 at the Plymouth Arts and Recreation Council (PARC) and the winner will be contacted that day. Ticket holders need not be present at the drawing to win.

For tickets or information, call (734) 451-2112.

#### Food for Fines offered at library

For the sixth consecutive year, the Romulus Public Library will participate in the Food for Fines campaign through April 29.

Bring non-perishable food to the library and \$1 in fines on library materials will be forgiven for each item. Food will then be donated to the Helping Hand Food Bank in Romulus.

Food for Fines cannot be used for lost items or collection fines and items that are past the expiration date cannot be accepted.

Donations will be accepted for those without fines as well.

The library is located at 11121 Wayne Road. For information, call (734) 942-7589 or access [www.romuluslibrary.org](http://www.romuluslibrary.org)

#### Comedy Night tickets on sale

Comedy Night, a fundraiser for the Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce, is planned for 6-10 p.m. April 18 at the Detroit Metro Airport Marriott Hotel.

Tickets for the event, which includes a live and silent auction along with a Chinese raffle, are priced at \$45 per person.

There will be three comedy acts, a cash bar and dinner.

Organizers said that tickets sell very quickly so early purchase is suggested. For more information or tickets, contact Etsay Krampey at (734) 889-0894.

#### Spring Break Day Camp offered

The Romulus Athletic Center will host a Spring Break Day Camp from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Monday through Friday, April 2 through April 6

The Spring Break Camp is for children ages 6-12 and will include games and activities, arts and crafts, Dodgeball, basketball, rock climbing, swimming and others. All will be in an instructed, safe environment.

The cost for members is \$100 per week or \$25 daily drop in. The fee for non-members is \$120 per week or \$32 daily drop in. The daily lunch option is \$5.

The athletic center is located at 35765 Northline Road in Romulus. For more information, call (734) 942-2223.

#### Diabetes Prevention Program offered

An informational session regarding Diabetes prevention is planned for 6-7 p.m. Tuesday, April 3 at the HYPE! Recreational Center, 4635 Howe Road in Wayne.

Diabetes Prevention classes offered by Beaumont Health will be offered from 6-7 p.m. beginning April 17. The free classes are led by trained lifestyle coaches. Participants will work as a team to focus on healthy eating, getting started with physical activity, overcoming stress and staying motivated as they work toward weight loss and physical activity goals. Call (313) 595-5488 or visit [beaumont.org/classes-events](http://beaumont.org/classes-events) to register.

#### Cooking Matters classes start

Cooking Matters, a six-week workshop including interactive sessions presented by a trained culinary and nutrition instructor are available. Hands-on presentations demonstrate the link between nutrition and health, the affordability of healthy eating, healthy meal planning and cooking.

Free classes take place from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday April 4 through May 9.

Free groceries and cookbooks are included to practice new skills at home. This workshop provides specialized recipes and information for adults living with diabetes and their caregivers. Class is free and open to adults who have not previously enrolled in a Cooking Matters course.

Visit [beaumont.org/classes-events](http://beaumont.org/classes-events) or call (800) 543-WEPP (5633) to register or for more information.

#### Country Garden Club to meet

Members of the Country Garden Club of Northville will meet at 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 4 at Warrendale.

Visitors should arrive through door number six or seven. Guests are welcome and there will be a speaker and light snacks. There is no charge to attend the meeting.

For more information, call Sheri Signorelli



# Calendar of events

## Easter Eggstravaganzas

### BELLEVILLE:

Flop E. Bunny will make a special visit to Victory Park at Five Points in Belleville beginning at noon Saturday, March 31.

The event, sponsored by the Belleville Central Business Community, will include a candy hunt for children, divided into age groups. The first group which will include toddlers to three-years-old will begin the hunt at 12:15 followed by children 4 and 5 years old who can start hunting for treats at 12:30 p.m. Those 6 and 7 years old can start their searches at 12:45 p.m. and at 1 p.m. children 8 to 10 can enjoy the search for holiday treats.

From noon until 2 p.m. framed photos with Flop E. Bunny by April Warner Photography will be available. There is no charge, but donations are welcome.

Hot dogs and drinks will be available for purchase by CAFS and the Kiwanis Club members will have a book sale table at the event.

There will also be a craft table hosted by Our Father's Child.

The event is sponsored by the Tucker Agency and the Belleville Downtown District Authority.

### INKSTER:

The Easter Bunny will be bringing some extra special treats and fun when he visits the Booker Deader Recreation Complex from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday, March 31.

The bunny, under careful supervision, will hide dozens and dozens of eggs for children to find during the Easter Egg Hunt during the free Easter Family Fun Day.

The activities are designed for children up to age 12 and is free but pre-registration for each child in requested. Registration is available through Facebook.com/inksterpolice or Eventbrite.com and search Inkster Easter Egg Hunt.

Activities include the egg hunt with several prizes, selfies with the Easter Bunny, face painting, arts and crafts, games and other activities. Light refreshments will be provided.

The free event is sponsored by the Inkster Task Force Unity in the Community Campaign hosted by the Inkster Task Force, Inkster Police Department, The Service Builders Foundation of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Eta Iota Omega Chapter, Inkster Parks and Recreation

Department, Operation Refuge, Starfish Family Services and the Inkster Community Foundation.

The recreation complex is located at 2025 Middlebelt Road in Inkster.

### NORTHVILLE:

The Northville Community Foundation will continue Easter fun with an Egg Hunt beginning at 11 a.m. April 14 at Maybury Farm. Gates will open at 9:30 a.m. and children can redeem eggs for a bag filled with candy and treats donated by local businesses.

Egg hunts will be divided into age groups with those 2-3 beginning at 11 a.m.; children 4-6 starting at 11:30 a.m. and children 7-10 beginning at noon.

Admission is \$5 per vehicle and includes visits with farm animals, seed planting, a visit with the Easter Bunny and Smokey the Bear along with concessions.

The event is limited to the first 700 children.

### WAYNE:

The annual Marshmallow Drop will be presented in Wayne this year by HYPE Athletics of Western Wayne.

The event will take place tomorrow, March 30 at Atwood Park Ballfield No. 1.

Children will be divided into age groups beginning with toddlers through age 4 and children with disabilities who can find the treats beginning at 10 a.m. Children from 5-7 years old can participate in the fun beginning at 10:15 a.m. and those ages 8-10 can gather the concessions beginning at 10:30 a.m.

This is a free event. For more information, visit [www.hypeathletics.org](http://www.hypeathletics.org).

HYPE is also sponsoring the Bunny Brunch for families the same day, Saturday, March 30. The Easter Bunny will be in attendance and children can complete an arts and crafts project. Door will open at 10:45 a.m. and brunch will be served at 11 a.m.

The cost is \$8 for adults and \$6 for children ages 2 through 11. Those 2 and younger are admitted at no cost with an adult.

HYPE Western Wayne is located at 4655 Howe Road in Wayne.

Photos will be available at an additional fee.

For more information, call (734) 721-7400.

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(248) 392-1518.

### Northville State of the Community set

The annual update on the community will include presentations by Superintendent of Northville Public Schools Mary Kay Gallagher, Township Supervisor Robert Nix and City of Northville Mayor Ron Roth, April 18 at the Vistatech Center at Schoolcraft College.

Registration will begin at 11:30 a.m. with a buffet luncheon and program to follow.

The cost is \$40 per person and the deadline to register is April 4. Tickets and registration are available at (248) 349-7640 or [lindseytutuz@northville.org](mailto:lindseytutuz@northville.org).

The event is sponsored by the Northville Chamber of Commerce. Vistatech is located at 18900 Hagerty Road in Livonia.

### Art Club exhibit planned

Three Cities Art Club members will present their annual Spring Art Exhibition from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. April 6 and 7 and from noon until 4:30 April 8 at the Westland Public Library.

The exhibit is free and more than 20 artists will display 65 original works in acrylics, watercolor, pencil, charcoal, mixed media, photography and other mediums.

Visitors can vote for their three favorite works of art and enter a drawing for a chance to win a collectible doll. For more information, visit [threecitiesartclub.org](http://threecitiesartclub.org).

In addition to the art for sale, there will be note cards, refrigerator magnets, and matted and framed prints.

The library is located at 6123 Central City Parkway (north of Ford Road). To learn more about this event or Three Cities Art Club, contact Marilyn Meredith at (313) 231-3939 or e-mail [marilynmuredith@wow.com](mailto:marilynmuredith@wow.com).

### Legislators host Coffee Hour

Wayne County Commissioner Glenn S. Anderson will be hosting a Coffee Hour in Inkster with State Sen. David Kneasek from noon until 1 p.m. on Monday, April 9.

The Coffee Hour will take place at the Western Wayne Family Health Center, located at 2700 Hamlin Boulevard in Inkster.

Residents who attend can discuss issues of importance to them. Citizens who have questions or concerns in the meantime are encouraged to contact the elected officials by mail, telephone, or email: Commissioner Glenn S. Anderson, Mail: 500 Griswold St., 7th Floor, Detroit, MI 48226. Phone: (313)

234-8855; Email: [District12@waynecounty.com](mailto:District12@waynecounty.com)

Sen. David Kneasek; Mail: PO Box 30036, Lansing, MI 48909; Phone: (855) 347-9005.

Email: [sen@dkneasek@senate.michigan.gov](mailto:sen@dkneasek@senate.michigan.gov)

### Chambers hold QuickBooks workshop

The Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, the Wayne Chamber of Commerce and the Westland Chamber of Commerce have joined forces to present a QuickBooks Workshop from noon until 1:30 p.m. Monday, April 9 at the Ted Scott Campus of Wayne County Community College, 5053 Hagerty Road in Belleville.

Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. and lunch will be provided.

This is a free workshop for chamber members that has been created for anyone who wants to learn the best way to maneuver through the setup and continued use of QuickBooks.

Presenter are Tom and Sheri Skynar from Skynar Bookkeeping.

Pre-registration is required by phone (734) 697-7151; (734) 893-0694; (734) 721-0100 or (734) 326-7222.

### Spring Fashion Show set

The Belleville Area Women's Club will present the 2018 Spring Fashion Show beginning with cocktails at 6 p.m. April 11 at Woodlands of Van Buren. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. and the fashion show will start at 8 p.m.

Fashions will be provided by Dress Barn and all proceeds will be used to benefit the community and education fund of the group.

Tickets for the event are priced at \$40 per person.

For tickets or information, contact Judith Hooper at (734) 334-6512. Woodlands of Van Buren is located at 39670 Ecorse Road in Wayne.

### Fairy Garden Workshop offered

The Wayne Historical Museum will offer a Fairy Garden Workshop from 1-3 p.m. Saturday, April 7.

The cost for the class is \$30 and reservations can be made on Eventbrite or by calling the museum, at (734) 729-0113.

Participants can create a fairy garden of their own design. Supplies will be provided including two plants, a pot and décor. Samples can be viewed at [facebook.com/waynehistoricalmuseumsociety](http://facebook.com/waynehistoricalmuseumsociety).

The museum is located at One Town Square in Wayne.



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